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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Smallpox in Juneau, Alaska.

JUNEAU, ALASKA, *May 25, 1901.*

SIR: During the past twenty-four hours 5 cases of smallpox have broken out among the Indians at Douglass City, 3 mild and 2 confluent cases.

At the request of the surgeons aboard the Coast Survey cutters *Patterson* and *McArthur* now at this port, I have furnished them 100 vaccine tubes, and they will vaccinate their entire crews.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL C. LEONHARDT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox in Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *June 1, 1901.*

SIR: A case of smallpox in this District was reported to the health department on the 30th instant. The patient had but recently come from New York City and presumably contracted the disease there. She was, of course, promptly removed to the smallpox hospital and all necessary precautions taken.

Respectfully,

WM. C. WOODWARD,
Health Officer.

Smallpox in Carthage, Mo.

CARTHAGE, MO., *June 4, 1901.*

SIR: It may be of interest to some to know how general our recent epidemic of smallpox has been.

Since January 1, 1900, I have had 167 cases under observation in this city of 12,000 inhabitants, and within 10 miles of this place throughout the farming settlements.

Among the above cases there have been 7 complete confluent, with 2 deaths, 1 a child aged 11 days, whose mother showed the first eruption the day it was born. The other was a minister aged 50 years, who appeared free from all vicious habits. About one-half of the remainder were semiconfluent. The other half were distinct, ranging down to one or no papules.

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Respectfully,

AUG. RHODES,
Health Commissioner of Carthage.